

## **ANNUAL ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION - August 2023**

As a result of federal legislation (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act-AHERA), each primary and secondary school in the nation is required to complete a stringent inspection for asbestos and to develop a plan of management for all asbestos-containing building materials. The District has a goal to be in full compliance with this law and is following the spirit as well as the letter of the law. As a matter of policy, the school shall continue to maintain a safe and healthful environment for employees and students. In keeping with this legislation, all buildings (including portables and support buildings) owned by the District were inspected by EPA accredited inspectors and samples were analyzed by an independent laboratory. Based on the inspection, the school prepared, and the state approved, a comprehensive management plan for handling the asbestos located within its buildings safely and responsibly.

Furthermore, the District has completed their three-year re-inspection required by AHERA. Our district buildings, where asbestos-containing materials were found, are under repair, removal and Operations and Maintenance. This past year the District conducted the following with respect to its asbestos containing building materials: Continued our Operations and Maintenance Program.

Federal law requires a periodic walk-through (called "surveillance") every six months of each area containing asbestos. In addition, the law requires all buildings to be re-inspected every three years after a management plan went into effect. MacNeil Environmental, Inc. will accomplish this under contract.

Short-term workers (outside contractors – i.e. telephone repair workers, electricians and exterminators) must be provided information regarding the location of asbestos in which they may come into contact. All short-term workers shall contact the lead maintenance person before beginning work to receive this information.

The District has a list of the location(s) and type(s) of asbestos containing materials found in that school building and a description and time-table for their proper management. A copy of the Asbestos Management Plan is available for review in the District office at 925 16<sup>th</sup> Ave. third floor; copies are available at 25 cents per page. Questions related to the plan should be related to Rich Zentner, Director of Buildings and Grounds, School District of Monroe at (608) 328-7194.